1: Holmberg--65 [2] (1941-42) 1950 Siriono
116, 841

"The relationship between menstruation and pregnancy is also clearly recognized by the Siriono, but again their ideas on these matters have not attained crystallized form. Informants were convinced that woman had to menstruate before they could have children, but they were unable to supply any of the reasons why. My investigation on these questions, moreover, led me to the conclusion that the Siriono do not correlate the menstrual cycle with the lunar cycle in any special way."

1: Holmberg--65 [3] (1941-42) 1950 Siriono
116, 826, 841

"In a certain sense a distinction is made between menstrual blood and ordinary body blood. The former is always designated as eréN erúki (vagina blood), while the latter is simply referred to by the general term erúki or 'blood.' What the differences between them are, however, the Siriono are quite unable to explain except in the vaguest sense. Contact with menstrual blood, especially in sexual intercourse, is regarded as harmful, while contact with ordinary body blood is considered innocuous."

1: Holmberg--65 [4] (1941-42) 1950 Siriono
116, 841

"Although menstrual blood is looked upon as something dangerous to the Siriono, they have not developed attitudes of disgust or horror toward it. During menstruation women wear nothing; they are neither isolated from the rest of the group nor restricted from participation in such household activities as cooking that bring them into intimate contact with other people. While menstruating women bathe more often during the menstrual period than at other times, they are not subject to food taboos and are not even required to sleep apart, although no sexual intercourse is indulged in at this time. All of my male informants told me that they had never had intercourse with a menstruating woman and that to do so was very dangerous, but there were varied opinions as to what might happen to those who did. It was generally thought that they would become 'blood sick' and die."

2: Holmberg--190 (1941-42) 1946 Siriono
116, 834, 841

"Chastity not being a virtue, there are few occasions when sex is taboo among the Siriono. During menstruation sex relations are forbidden, but during pregnancy they are recommended and indulged in up until before delivery."